Commercial fruit cultivation

3548. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTIRES be pleased to state:

(a) whether in a bid to speed up the growth of the food proecssing industry, Government propose to bring additional areas under cultivation of fruits of commercial values, as reported in the Times of India of 4th July, 1992 captioned, "More Areas for Commercial Fruit Cultivation Mooted"; and

(b) if so, what are the details of steps likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

बीयर के उत्पादन के लिए लाइसेंस

3549. **श्री विनोद शर्मा :** क्या **खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार को गत वर्षों के दौरान, बीयर उत्पादक उद्योगों की स्थापना के लिए लगभग 710 आवेदन प्राप्त हुए हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने हाल ही में नए दिशानिदश विहित करके कतिपय आवेदकों को बीयर उत्पादक एककों की स्थापना के लाइसेंस जारी करने का निर्णय लिया है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उक्त दिशा-निर्देश क्या है और देश में कितने एकक स्थापित करने का निर्णय लिया गया है और उनकी उत्पादन क्षमता कितनी-कितनी है और क्या इस उत्पाद की खपत का अनुमान लगाया गया है, यदि हां, तो देश में बीयर की वार्षिक खपत की अनुमानित मात्रा कितनी है ?

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री गिरिधर गोमांगो) : (क) वर्ष 1989 में बीयर के विनिर्माण के लिए अतिरिक्त क्षमता के सृजन पर रोक में ढील देने के पश्चात् सरकार को देश में बीयर के विनिर्माण के यूनिटों की स्थापना के लिए लगभग 900 आवेदन-पत्र प्राप्त हुए हैं ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रशासनिक मंत्रालय में बनाए गए दिशानिर्देशों के अलावा, सरकार (औद्योगिक विकास विभाग) ने हाल ही में निम्नलिखित शर्तें लगाने का निर्णय किया है :—

"कुल परियोजना लागत का न्यूनतम 20 प्रतिशत आदिवासी भारतीयों/विदेशी इक्विटी से नकद मुद्रा में होगा ।"

किन्तु यह शर्त केंद्रीय सरकार/राज्य सरकार संगठनों/सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र उपक्रमों के लिए लागू नहीं है । सरकार ने प्रत्येक 5000 किलोलीटर की वार्षिक क्षमता वाले 45 आशय-पत्र जारी किए हैं ।

वर्ष 1990–91 में संगठित सेक्टर में बीयर का अनुमानित उत्पादन लगभग 2.13 लाख किलोलीटर है ।

Food testing laboratories in Maharashtra

3550. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of food testing laboratories in Maharashtra;

(b) what is the total number of employees employed in these laboratories; and

(c) what is the total number of samples of food items which they have tested during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c) The

information regarding the Food testing laboratories of Private, State government and public sector organisations are not maintained centrally. Informatoion in respect to Central Government laboratories is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Capacity for beer production

3551. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been monitoring the capacity for beer producing companies in case they were producing more than the licensed capacity;

(b) whether any action was being taken against companies which were producing more than the licensed capacity;

(c) whether 5000 Ltrs capacity was considered appropriate for an economically viable unit; and

(d) whether this capacity of 5000 Ltrs was determined against certain considerations, if so, the details of those considerations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) Since some beer manufacturing units were reported to have been over utilising their licensed capacity, they have been requested to furnish details of production for the last five years so that suitable action, wherever justified, may be initiated against those who are found to be defaulters.

(c) and (d) A capacity of 5000 KL per annum was found to be the minimum economic capacity for manufacture of beer, as per the advice of technical authorities.

Delicensing of milk and dairy products

3552. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several representations have reached Government to give up delicensing of milk and dairy products industry; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) No representation to give up delicensing of Milk Products industries under the Industries (Development and Regulations) Act 1951 has been received in this Ministry.

Foreign aid in the fishing industry

3553. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in the Financial Express of 24th July, 1992 captioned "A Ministry's bid for survival";

(b) what are the details of aid offered by Italy and Australia to fishing industries; and

(c) the details of fresh steps proposed to be taken in cooperation with SCICI for reviving Indian owned fishing fleet?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of Italy have agreed to provide soft term loan grant for construction and supply of one Tuna Purse-Seiner, for survey of tuna resources in Indian waters and